



# THE CITIZENS' COUNCIL

Dedicated to the maintenance of peace, good order and domestic tranquility in our Community and in our State and to the preservation of our States' Rights.

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## To All Citizens' Council Members

### IN MISSISSIPPI

"The Citizens' Council" is your newspaper, and your State Directors in authorizing its publication, did so with the feeling that the great majority of our members want such a paper and will subscribe to it.

As an introduction, every effort is being made to place a free copy of this issue in the hands of each member.

The best way for Council members to handle their subscriptions is for the local Council to vote to subscribe for the entire membership. Many Councils have already done this. When this is done, the secretary should forward to the Jackson office in the Walthall Hotel the membership list with proper addresses and remittance at \$2.00 per member.

Subsequent issues will be mailed direct to each member.

### TO OTHER STATES

To all Citizens' Council members in Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Alabama, and South Carolina; to members of: Tennessee Society For The Maintenance of Segregation; Tennessee Federation For Constitutional Government; American States' Rights Association of Birmingham; Georgia States' Rights Association; Patriots of North Carolina; Defenders of State Sovereignty of Virginia; The Virginia League.

We want you to feel that "The Citizens' Council" is your newspaper just as much as it is for Mississippians. It could just as easily have originated in South Carolina or another state. There is no pride of origin or pride of publication.

"The Citizens' Council" is simply designed to serve a useful purpose, to provide a means of exchanging authoritative information among the responsible movements throughout the South, and to present, at least in a small way, something of the Southern viewpoint to our friends, and to some not so friendly, in the North and West.

There are already established official correspondents for our paper with some of your organizations, and we trust that by the time our next issue goes to press the roster will be complete.

Every effort is being made to place a free copy of this issue in the hands of each member of your groups.

The subscription method being followed by many of the Mississippi Councils is also suggested for your states.

### TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

"The Citizens' Council" is being offered, of course, to the public at large. It is by no means limited to circulation among members. All members are being encouraged to spread the circulation as much as possible outside the Councils in the hope that a better understanding of the aims and purposes of the Council movement will result, and that a great deal of misinformation, intentional or unintentional, will be corrected.

A much larger hope is that a wider understanding of the deadly attack upon our society will result, and that the Council movement will gain added momentum among patriotic Americans.

## Mississippi Citizens' Councils Are Protecting Both Races

EDITOR'S NOTE—The following is the first in a series of three articles, which were carried on the front pages of the Charleston, S. C., News and Courier, and are the only articles appearing to date by a writer who has studied the Citizens' Council movement sufficiently to speak with authority.

By Thomas R. Waring

Editor of The News and Courier  
JACKSON —Citizens' Councils, 60,000 strong and growing fast, are mobilizing Mississippi to guard both whites and Negroes.

Their aim is to preserve separation of the races against assaults from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in alliance with the federal government. At the same time, they are dedicated to protect the rank and file of Negroes from the wrath of ruffian white people who may resort to violence.

"Economic pressure," a method of combating Negro pressure from the North, is not organized by the Councils. Individuals who belong to councils may have persuaded Negroes to remove their names from school integration petitions by various means short of violence. These means could include firing employees, or refusing to renew leases for sharecroppers who have followed the NAACP line.

If such tactics have been used—and there seems little doubt that they have—they were adopted on individual initiative and not as a group action.

Spokesmen for the councils say that pressures would have been exerted whether or not the councils existed. They insist that the councils have served to channel public feeling away from violence and toward an orderly handling of race relations in a state where whites and Negroes are evenly divided.

Especially do they deny NAACP charges that the councils have created an atmosphere that incites murder and lynching. In fact, they cite instances in which they have prevented bloodshed.

This article is the first of three articles prepared after an on-the-spot inspection of Citizens' Councils in Mississippi by the editor of The News and Courier. It tells how the councils are set up and how they operate.

A quick check of councils here, without attempt at completeness, indicates a generally favorable public opinion. Even though the "man in the street" may be hazy about the council methods, he approves of resisting attempts to mingle white and Negro people in public schools and elsewhere.

Opposition to the councils appears to be centered among some members of the clergy, who have accepted the idea of race equality as a Christian principle, and others whose interest in the public schools is so intense they regard public education as more important than racial separation. Some opponents still are relying on legal action in the courts for amicable settlement of the problem.

Everybody questioned, however, agreed on one thing: The leadership of the Jackson Citizens' Council, with 1,100 members, represents the best citizens in this capital city of 116,000 population. Not even the clergyman, who called the movement a "tragedy," had a word to say against the caliber of the officers and directors of the Jackson unit.

Spokesmen for the council say that for the most part, councils throughout Mississippi are equally representative of the best people

of the state. The council policy is to screen members carefully for character and dependability, as well as for their determination to keep the races separate.

At the last count, 263 councils had been organized throughout the state. They start at the grass roots level as a sort of town meeting. Neighbors get together and form a council. Its leaders make up a county organization. The counties then are grouped by congressional districts. Each district elects members of a state association.

The association has set up an office here to help the movement spread. It publishes pamphlets and soon will start a monthly newspaper. There is no state chairman. Nominal leadership rotates among the directors. Robert B. Patterson of Winona is executive secretary and W. J. Simmons of Jackson is administrator.

Expenses so far have been held to a minimum because most of the work has been voluntary. The local councils are autonomous. They expect only advice from the state association. The association urges, however, that annual dues of members be set at \$5 of which \$2 is sent to support state headquarters.

The Citizens' Council movement, started 14 months ago, has stirred interest throughout the South. Organizations have sprung up in several states under many names, but this one seems to have had the greatest success. After studying its operations and conferring with its leaders, this observer from South Carolina believes the councils are both sound and decent, and loaded with power for good. More details will be told in articles to follow this one.

## CARTER'S "MIDDLEGROUND"

By John Temple Graves

"Alone, alone—all, all alone,

Alone on a wide, wide sea. . ."

My nationally distinguished friend Hodding Carter hinted to Duke University's commencement audience how "lonely and beset" his "middle ground" makes him and what penalties his "combative journalism" imposes on him.

Hodding should be of good cheer—and count his blessing!

The fine art of not following things through on the desegregation situation, which he calls the "middle ground," has worked well for him, North and South. As for his "combative journalism" the penalties are small in comparison with the rewards reaped.

He has no inkling of what the real Taboo can be.

If his Mississippi legislature got mad at him and enabled him to tell it to "go to hell" before his national audience, the legislators had good cause.

Instead of using his national audience to tell the nation how tragic a situation has been forced on the South by the desegregation decision—and he admits it is tragic—he confines himself to criticizing measures being taken to relieve the situation, at the same time giving a lip service to segregated schools. A "middle ground" like his is enough to make any troubled legislature mad.

A man so able to eat his cake and have it too isn't very "beset" it seems to me.

A man who manages to get applause in most of the North and half of the South is a glutton for company if he still feels "lonely."

## Probe By Assembly Of NAACP At State College Proposed

News And Courier

ORANGEBURG, S. C. (Special)—An investigation of activities of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People among the faculty and students of State College by the South Carolina General Assembly was asked here last night.

Meanwhile, the Rev. Matthew D. McCollum, president of Orangeburg NAACP chapter, was quoted by a Negro newspaper as saying all NAACP and allied records of the chapter have been destroyed.

Rep. Jerry M. Hughes, in calling for the investigation, said:

"Such an investigation would determine who are members and sympathizers of the NAACP among the faculty and student body, the extent of such member participation in such activities and whether or not its members are misleading the Negro citizens and misrepresenting the aims and objectives of the NAACP to the Negro people."

He added that the investigation, which he will seek in the next term, would determine whether or not the activities of members of the NAACP within State College are detrimental to the welfare of the college and its students.

Rev. McCollum was quoted in the Afro-American of Pittsburgh, Pa., as saying the NAACP records were destroyed "after an offer of \$10,000 was made for a list of members and after several efforts were made by unnamed residents (in Orangeburg) to obtain the list."

The article also stated that Rev. McCollum claimed he had received numerous threats against his life but "had fortified his home against invasion by backers of the white Citizens' Council local chapter, furiously waging a death war with the NAACP in Orangeburg."

Rev. McCollum, when questioned

about the article, said he would not deny making the statements to representatives of the Negro newspaper. "I have no comment to make," he stated.

Sheriff George L. Reed said Rev. McCollum has not reported any death threats to his office. "We haven't heard a thing from him," Sheriff Reed said.

Another article appearing in the same issue of Afro-American reported that Negroes were boycotting stores "suspected of supporting the Citizens' Council's economic pressure campaign against persons who signed an integration petition."

The article bylined John H. McCray, said 23 Orangeburg merchants were named on a "Do Not Patronize" list of NAACP leaders.

McCray reported that the store believed heaviest hit by the "boycott" is an exclusive women's apparel store "for many years patronized by women who teach at S. C. State and Claflin Colleges and the public school in and around Orangeburg."

McCray also wrote, "campaigns among school children have been organized and these are expected to be especially potent when taken over by students at both S. C. State and Claflin. A Claflin College faculty member, who asked that his name not be used, said the Methodist operated college would not as a matter of Christian practice do further business with local firms exerting economic pressures, unless it has no alternatives."

W. T. C. Bates, president of the Orangeburg Citizens' Council, said last night that any boycott planned by the NAACP is "a sure way for us to get the names of NAACP members and supporters of this un-American group. Boycott or no boycott, Orangeburg schools will continue to operate on a segregated but equal basis."

## Senator Olin D. Johnston Backs Citizens' Councils

### MEMBERSHIP NOT PROHIBITED BY HATCH ACT

ORANGEBURG S.C.—Henry D. Richardson, Orangeburg post office clerk, has made public a letter from the office of Sen. Olin D. Johnston saying the senator was heartily in favor of Citizens' Councils as a method of fighting the integration of schools.

Mr. Richardson had written Sen. Johnston to ask if his membership in a Citizens' Council was a violation of the Hatch Act or rules of the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Richardson received his answer from H. W. Brawley, executive director at Sen. Johnston's office. It said in part:

"I have been advised by the Civil Service Commission that your joining this organization will not violate the Hatch Act or any other act in regard to Civil Service Employees' outside affiliations."

"In talking with Senator Johnston before he left the city, he stated emphatically that, had the Commission ruled that it would be a violation of the Hatch Act or Civil Service regulation, he would have immediately taken steps to remove such legislation from the

laws of the country. He also expressed his absolute agreement with the principles of the various Citizens' Councils that are being organized throughout South Carolina."

### ECONOMIC PRESSURE

An organization calling itself "Help Negro Entertainers Get Employment" has started a post card campaign demanding that TV networks hire more negro entertainers (as if there were not already too many) on sponsored shows. All negroes are asked to boycott television-advertised products unless the sponsors use negro performers. The first flood of postcards was aimed at the Jackie Gleason show, which the outfit charged, never uses negroes. The cards asked that readers refuse to buy Nestle Company products as Gleason is sponsored by Nestles.

The NAACP has advanced one of its former officials into an executive job on the President's staff at the White House. The Negro's name is Everett Frederic Morrow and his selection was made by Sherman Adams.





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**Mississippi Councils  
Complete Organization  
By Congressional  
Districts**

During September, in a series of meetings by Congressional Districts held at Indianola, Starkville, Winona, Canton and Port Gibson, pursuant to a recommendation of the State Executive Committee, the organization of Councils by counties and districts was completed.

Reason for the series of meetings at this time was principally to enlarge representation on the State Executive Committee to include the many new counties which have organized during recent months and to take preliminary steps toward setting up district lines of responsibility. It is felt that this will materially strengthen and make more efficient various administrative procedures.

There was remarkable enthusiasm and determination shown at every district meeting, as indicated by the fact that every single organized county in Mississippi was represented by local chairmen or alternates.

The meetings were conducted by Robert B. Patterson, Executive Secretary, and all followed a similar agenda as listed below:

1. Explanation of District Organization in each Congressional District.
2. Designation of County Chairman or Director from each county.
3. Election of State Executive Committeemen. (2 or 3 depending upon number of counties organized in each District.)
4. Election of District Chairman.
5. Reregistration of all county voters.
6. The absentee ballot.
7. Discussion of the District Legal Advisory Committee and District Information and Education Committee.
8. Membership.
9. The Citizens' Council Newspaper.

**FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**Executive Committee**

John B. Cunningham, Brooksville — planter and merchant  
Will E. Ward, Starkville — attorney

**District Chairman**

Eugene J. Hardy, Columbus — planter

**County Chairmen**

Attala H. E. Jenkins, Sallis — school superintendent

Lowndes Walter Swoope, Columbus — real estate and insurance  
Noxubee W. S. Mullins, Prairie Point — planter  
Oktibbeha Horace Harned, Jr., Starkville — planter, state senator  
Winston Dink Chapman, Louisville — attorney

**SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**Executive Committee**

M. L. Branch, Winona — planter  
M. P. Moore, Senatobia — cattleman  
Ben Perry, Grenada — banker

**District Chairman**

George Buchanan, Philip — planter

**County Chairmen**

Tate John M. Callicut, Coldwater — planter, mayor  
Tallahatchie Harry Pennington, planter, state senator  
Carroll Bernard Sanders, Vaiden — planter, hardware store  
Yalobusha S. A. Swearingen, Oakland — planter  
Montgomery M. L. Branch, Winona — planter  
Grenada C. C. Carpenter, Grenada — planter

**THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**Executive Committee**

Wilburn Hooker, Lexington — merchant, planter, insurance, state representative  
Fred Jones, Inverness — planter, board of supervisors, ex-senator  
Pete F. Williams, Sr., Clarksdale — wholesale grocer

**District Chairman**

Edd Britt, Indianola — planter, cotton ginner

**County Chairman**

Leflore W. S. Curry, Ita Bena — lumber company  
Tunica John Dulaney, Jr., Tunica — attorney  
Coahoma Eddie Peacock, Clarksdale — banker  
Bolivar Guy Simpson, Shaw — lumber company  
Washington Martin Heard, Lealand — real estate, insurance  
Sunflower C. K. Holland, Sunflower — planter  
Holmes William Moses, Lexington — auto dealer  
Humphreys Gladstone Mortimer, Belzoni — auto dealer  
Quitman Just organized

**FOURTH AND SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS**

**Executive Committee**

Fred A. Anderson, Jr., Gloster — attorney, lumberman  
Judge Tom P. Erady, Brookhaven — circuit judge  
Ellis W. Wright, Jackson — funeral director

**District Chairman**

Edgar A. McCaa, Port Gibson — REA manager

**Best Defense Is Good Offense,  
Lake City Citizens' Council Told**

By Eldridge Thompson  
News and Courier Roving Reporter

LAKE CITY, S.C. "The best defense is often a good offense," Hugh G. Grant of Augusta, Ga. said at a meeting of the Lake City Citizens' Council.

"A vigorous counter-attack should be started immediately in South Carolina and in every other state in which the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is attempting to force racial integration," he said.

Addressing about 400 people, Mr. Grant, former U. S. minister to Albania and Thailand, said "the sovereign rights of our people are in great danger. The integrity of both white and Negro races is jeopardized since the ultimate goal of the NAACP is complete integration."

Mr. Grant said the white citizens of this state should organize in every community and county. Every white citizen should be asked to "stand up and be counted on this issue," he said. "There is no middle ground. You are either for or against segregation."

Mr. Grant said delaying tactics are not sufficient. "This battle to preserve the segregation pattern must be fought on a national level as well as within the state."

"This can be accomplished only through widespread grassroots organization," Mr. Grant said. "The voices of millions of white citizens must reach the floors of Congress."

The Georgia Citizens' Council leader urged the group here to insist by contact with their senators and representatives to support the resolution introduced by Sen. Eastland of Mississippi calling for an investigation of members of the U. S. Supreme Court.

"Unless the leaders of the national Republican and Democratic parties change their tune on this issue involving the constitutional rights of the people of the states to manage their own affairs without federal interference, then I favor the formation of an independent party before the 1956 election," Mr. Grant declared.

The Augusta man said that ministers, regardless of their church affiliation, should support the South's moves to retain segregation. "Any preacher, Baptist, Methodist or what have you, who favors integration should be asked by his congregation to move on to other parts," Mr. Grant said.

He told the Lake City audiences that the Ku Klux Klan is not the answer to the segregation fight. "I detest violence of any kind but

**County Chairmen**

Hinds Ray Cannada, Edwards — planter  
Yazoo Nick Roberts, Yazoo City — merchant  
Claiborne Lewis N. Ellis, Port Gibson — store manager  
Jefferson W. M. Drake, Church Hill — cotton merchant  
Adams George Gullledge, Natchez — dept. supt., Armstrong Tire & Rubber Co.  
Franklin Robert B. Haltom, Roxie — lumberman  
Amite Charlie Barron, Smithdale — merchant  
Lincoln Hugh Mitchell, Brookhaven — manager Creosote plant  
Walthall Edd Duncan, Tyler — county superintendent of education  
Jeff Davis Dewey Meyers, Prentiss — cold storage, oil, packing house

**FIFTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT**

**Executive Committee**

J. O. Hollis, Carthage — attorney  
Marion Simpson, Canton — sheriff

**District Chairman**

Jack Armstrong, Jr., Forkville

**County Chairmen**

Madison G. B. Herring, Canton — attorney

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I dislike people who are of the school of waiting and hoping. We must openly and vigorously launch our offensive against those who would destroy our way of life."

**The Myth Of  
'World Opinion'**

News and Courier

Citizens of the Southern region of the United States, mocked and abused for political reasons by their own countrymen, can sympathize with the race problems of South African white men. The proportion of blacks in that country is much greater than in the Southern states of this republic. Measured in terms of population, its problems are greater than ours.

The South African Observer, published at Cape Town, has this to say about the picture of South Africa being given to the outside world.

"In our era of the conditioned proletariat, those who own and control the press throughout the world are able to guide and misguide at will. This is particularly evident in the treatment of foreign news. Every journalistic trick is used to arouse feeling against any country marked out as the enemy."

"United Nations, Unesco, the empires of Wall Street and Moscow and their dupes, viz. internationalists, liberals, liberal-democrats and leftists generally, have marked out South Africa as an enemy because it is a bastion of white conservatism; because it believes in national sovereignty and western Christian civilization; and because it will not accept the Fabian, Socialist and Communist doctrine of Equality. The voice of all those organizations and groups is called 'world opinion'. A captive and controlled press—with its fellow vehicles of propaganda, the radio and the cinema—has succeeded in endowing this meaningless term with a mystic quality and made a fetish."

"World opinion today is not the opinion of the peoples of the world. It is a highly unreal myth manufactured and purveyed by the press, the radio, television and the news agencies. It is Moscow's and Wall Street's instrument for liberalizing conservatism, reddening liberalism and communizing labour."

"World opinion welcomes the destruction of white nations, supports the national struggles of black and brown men. It hails the end of segregation of black and white — a segregation that men by their very nature seek and prefer. It sees nothing wrong with British women being sired by blacks. Englishmen becoming colored."

"If South Africa were to submit to world opinion, even as enunciated by Adlai Stevenson, whose intellectual equipment and moral character are so much revered by The Cape Times, it is easy to guess where it would lead us. Mr. Stevenson is the representative of the USA's Democrats—a political hotchpotch of assorted bedfellows, most of whom hate most of the others. Just examine something of that party's record—a party very largely dominated and directed by persons of Eastern European origins:

"It recognized (1933), courted, made deals with Russia and Stalin, saving the crumbling Communist economy at that time."

"It is the party primarily responsible for establishing the communist grip on the world today."

"It is the party that handed treasury printing blocks to Russia and planned to establish an

**Reunion of Redhead  
With Tan Hubby, via  
Kisses in Union Station  
Is Shocking**

From The Pittsburgh Courier  
(Negro Newspaper)

Already shy of 50,000 male marital prospects, the Capital's supply of eligible men for tan girls was further decimated, beginning in the late "forties" with a sudden resumption of plural inter-racial marriages.

On the very night that one of the biggest administrative bigots of the city was shouting defiance at the "rising tide of jungle-breeds" in D. C., his very own daughter, then 24, was registered on an all-night uptown hotel interlude with a famous jazz musician of a famous orchestra.

While the president of a Dixie-focused civic association was screaming at the U. S. Supreme Court, while it weighed the restrictive covenant codes, or ex-claimed, in loud tones: "... they shall not squat here," four Negro women and fifteen Negro men had filed for interracial marriage licenses in the municipal court house (civil side) on E Street, N. W.

On a sunny October afternoon, in 1953, at the huge Washington terminal, a dazzling, dashing Nordic redhead ... about five feet, nine inches tall ... weighing about 130 pounds, wearing a black, silken dress that held on tightly, going 'round the curves, matched with shoes and gloves ... attracted the attention of the usual thousands found therein.

Eyes, trained on her, blinked with mounting interest.

Impetuously, she suddenly lunged into the arms of a chocolate hued six-foot, four-inch U. S. Army private. In the smack of an inflammable kiss, both her arms curled up and around his bulging neck. Witnesses, black and white, gasped for breath!

A ripple surged through the hesitating crowd that bordered on confusion, as the duo, arm in arm and apparently very happy in reunion, boarded a taxicab on the Massachusetts Avenue elevation of the terminal and sped away.

atom bomb factory in Russia after the war.

"It is the party that employed, encouraged and protected Communist personnel in high places in the U. S. Government, Treasury, Uno, Unesco and every international agency."

"It was responsible for Yalta and Teheran."

"It left Russia astride Europe and Asia after the war and gave her Manchuria. It disarmed Chiang Kai-Shek and virtually handed over China to the Communists."

"It plotted the destruction of the British Commonwealth, and under the cloak of 'anti-colonialism,' built up a dollar empire."

"It was responsible for Hiroshima ... Nagasaki ... Dresden."

"It was responsible for the Korean debacle."

"It packed the courts to put through its New Deal policy."

"It flooded the Northern cities with Negroes for their votes, and is primarily responsible for enforced integration of white and black in the USA today."

"World opinion" as described by The South African Observer is opposed to the Southern states of North America—at least, as that opinion is reflected by the metropolitan press. Today the white people of South Africa and the white people of the Southern states are the targets of many critics. Those critics do not live with the same race problems that exist in the two regions. The pressures against the Southerners of Africa and North America seem to take on some of the same vicious character that the critics themselves deplore.



### MISSISSIPPI COUNCILS— (Continued from page 2)

Scott J. H. Young, Hillsboro—  
school superintendent  
Leake Ray Henderson, Carthage  
—gas and oil dealer  
Neshoba Burdett Richardson,  
Philadelphia—circuit clerk  
Rankin T. R. Irby, Goshen  
Springs—planter

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1. **The Executive Committee (3 men):** This Committee is a part of the State Executive Committee that directs the State Association and sets its policies. In addition these committeemen maintain a constant liaison with the district chairman and with all county chairmen in their district. They attend the regular monthly meeting of the State Executive Committee and assist the County Chairman in the solution of any problems that apply to his district.

2. **The District Chairman:** This officer maintains constant liaison with all County Chairmen within his District. He maintains a list of all local Chairmen and officers within his District. He assists County Chairmen in solving County problems when called upon. He calls meetings of all County Chairmen within his District when necessary. He seeks cooperation from the County Chairmen in providing speakers for Council meetings in his District and in completing its organization.

3. **The County Chairman:** This officer maintains contact with all local chairmen within his county and with the District Chairman. He should be able to contact any neighboring County Chairman when necessary. He should be able to contact the District Executive Committee at any time for advice or to make recommendations.

### THE DISTRICT INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Each County Chairman with the recommendation of his Board of Directors is asked to submit the name of one man from his County to serve on the District Information and Education Committee. It is suggested that these selections include Educators, Doctors, Ministers, Newspapermen or others who have training in research and dissemination of information. These men should be devoted to our cause and should have the time to give to thought and action on this committee.

The purpose of this Committee is to devise means of nullifying the tremendous propaganda assault being waged against the minds of our young people and our citizens. It is hoped that the good influence of this committee will be felt in our schools, our churches, our homes, our radio programs, our newspapers, our State Legislature and eventually in our moving pictures, our Federal Government and in every other media possible.

This Committee should meet from time to time as necessary and make recommendations to the County Chairmen or the State Executive Committee.

### THE DISTRICT LEGAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Each County Chairman with the recommendation of his Board of Directors is asked to submit the name of one man from his county to serve on the District Legal Advisory Committee. This selection should be a prominent lawyer and preferably the Chairman of your County Legal Advisory Committee.

The purpose of this Committee is to devise legal means for preventing integration. Many legal problems that will arise in the future can be anticipated and solved by this committee. This Committee will be expected to furnish legal advice to counties within their District, and to the State Association. Various legal information and advice pertinent to our great problem will be submitted to this committee from time to time for their information.

## Jackson Council Pledges Support of LEAC Program

The board of directors of the Jackson Citizens' Council strongly commended Governor Hugh L. White and the Legal Education Advisory Committee for positive action taken in approving six legislative proposals.

The Council's sentiments were expressed in a letter to the Governor as follows:  
Honorable Hugh L. White, Chairman

Legal Education Advisory Committee

Jackson, Mississippi  
Dear Governor White:

The Board of Directors of the Jackson Citizens' Council wish to express to you and to the members of the Legal Education Advisory Committee their warm commendation for the action taken this week by the committee in approving the six legislative proposals listed hereunder.

1) Prohibition of common-law marriages by statute.

(2) Repeal of compulsory school attendance law.

(3) Provide penalties for champerty, unauthorized practice of law and "agitation court suits" to end segregation.

(4) Provide penalties for persons interfering with state law under color of federal authority.

(5) Provide penalties for abusive and obscene telephone calls and define and provide penalties for criminal libel.

(6) Creation of a state authority for maintenance of segregation.

We particularly approve and support the spirit of these proposals in that they represent the interposing of the sovereignty of the State of Mississippi between its citizens and coercive federal authority inspired by pressure from radical left-wing organizations such as the so-called National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The action of the Legal Education Advisory Committee is in the finest tradition of constitutional American government, backed by ample historical precedent. Many of us have long realized that the most logical and in fact the only, course of action designed to meet head-on the continuing crisis forced upon us by the creeping socialists and racemixers is one based upon a positive assertion of our State's Rights.

The clearest and most immediate danger arising from the assault upon the South is of course that of racial integration. Your actions are calculated to meet that threat with a sharp counter-attack. But we trust that the deep significance of your historic legislative proposals, insofar as they suggest a pattern of future action in dealing with the entire question of unconstitutional seizure of powers by enemies of the American Republic acting within departments of the federal government, will not be lost upon our people.

A giant stride has been made on our side of the struggle, and we are heartened by this evidence of courageous and intelligent leadership. We offer the full and active support of our Council in implementing your program.

### REVERSE PETITION

In Santee, S. C., fourteen of the 21 negroes who signed an NAACP anti-segregation petition which was presented to the school trustees, later put their signatures on a counter petition FOR SEGREGATION circulated by the Citizens' Council. The 14 said they did not understand what the NAACP petition meant and that they were confused by a high pressure agitator brought in by the NAACP.

## Mississippi Notebook

BY TOM ETHRIDGE  
(Feature Columnist Clarion-Ledger)

### NAACP Witch Doctors

The NAACP and their associates, seeking to exploit the unfortunate Till affair, have dug deeply into their bag of tricks. In a sense, they have reverted to ancient tribal instincts. They have unsuccessfully tried to replace American concepts of justice with those of the African Congo in centuries past.

Since the horrifying details of the Till crime first came to light, the NAACP has harped on a curiously un-American theory. They have argued that the guilt and responsibility rests not merely with Emmett Till's killers but with the entire state of Mississippi as well. Their hysterical outbursts blame our entire clergy, press and citizenry.

In African Jungles Long Ago, cunning witch doctors, preached a similar doctrine. The Congo witch doctor was happiest when inciting his emotional followers to anger. Trouble was his business and he thrived on it. He loved the limelight and lost no opportunity to strut, talk big and throw his weight around.

When a fellow tribesman was slain by rivals, the witch doctor immediately sprang into action. He ordered the victim's mangled body displayed for all to see. As infuriated tribesmen filed by, the dead one's family sobbed and moaned. Meanwhile the witch doctor screamed, raved and ranted. In the language of Churchill—this was his finest hour.

"We Must Avenge Our Murdered Brother," the witch doctor would shriek. "Behold his torn body, the work of fiends and demons! We must punish the entire tribe of those who did this dreadful thing. Every man, woman and child must pay. All are bad and all are guilty!"

That was years ago, in darkest Africa. Yet our nation has just heard almost identical utterances in the violent statements from NAACP's headquarters in New York City. True these outbursts did not urge bloodshed, but the leaders must have been aware that it might easily result from this angry outburst.

The Nation Was Shocked At The Fury of a senseless Mississippi crime. It was further shocked by the carefully-staged Congo circus at a Chicago funeral home, where the youngster's last rites were used as an occasion to collect funds for promoting further racial strife and perhaps to fatten the wallets of agitators.

For a brief time it appeared as if the witch doctors and their associates might be entirely successful in employing jungle techniques to incite mass hatreds, and perhaps violence. They had all the cards necessary, but failed, possibly because they do not really understand their people. Like other Americans the great majority of Negroes apparently want no part of Congo concepts.

Thousands of Respectable Negroes who viewed Till's remains were understandably disturbed and indignant. Yet to their eternal credit they kept their heads and refrained from rash actions which would only have complicated an already deplorable situation. If the ill-considered Chicago demonstration was intended to touch off more violence, it failed in its purpose.

Analyzing possible motives, it is conceivable that the funeral frenzy was deliberately contrived to further aggravate the situation in Mississippi. Had federal intervention been necessary to preserve order here, nothing on earth

could please the NAACP more. They have torn their shirts trying to bring about such intervention.

### Federal Troops and Martial Law

Would have another black eye for Mississippi and a big feather in the NAACP cap. Such a situation might have given that organization the "foot in the door" it has so desperately wanted. Federal intervention might have made it easier to overthrow established customs in a state that is a formidable stumbling block to the unrelenting NAACP drive for integration.

While our leaders were urging sanity and justice in the brutal Till affair, NAACP leaders seemed to be doing just the opposite. Their inflammatory statements only added fuel to flames which could have gotten out of hand had our people of both races been less sensible.

### Two Wrongs Never Make A Right.

The overwhelming majority of all races and creeds in America recognize this fact. That is why law-biding people have refused to be stampeded into rash actions by headline-hungry hate mongers and latter-day witch doctors.

That is why the State of Mississippi has moved swiftly to insure justice. That is why the U. S. Government has refused to interfere, as agitators hotly demand. That is why not one single act of violence between white and colored citizens has resulted from the tragic Till case.

And last-but not least, that is why the American concept of justice and fair play will never hold innocent persons responsible for crimes committed by a few.

### HODDING'S HEROICS

By John Temple Graves

*"And he sees across a weary land a straggling road in Spain, Up which a lean and foolish knight forever rides in vain."*

Hodding Carter is plump—and rides with profit and applause. But his heroics begin to look a bit foolish—even up North.

In a fascinating second piece about himself (and the South) in the current Look Magazine he tells how lonely and ganged-up-on he is—and at the same time how his Southern mail runs three to two in his favor and his national 10 to one, and how sociable people are with him at home.

He speaks of "venomous attacks on (his) freedom of the press" even as he prints proudly his front page editorial freely telling the Mississippi Legislature to go to hell for denouncing him (advising his Look audience as freely meanwhile that "a Mississippi legislative majority is mentally and morally incapable of insulting anybody.")

But it is when he writes of himself as "this battered Episcopalian" that he just about breaks your heart—or something.

Mr. Carter was turkey-hunting with four friends on his private boat with a private cook when the cruel words of the Mississippi Legislature were relayed to him. A simple man at simple play—cut down in his prime by a horrid, sweaty legislative majority merely because he chose to tell tales up North rather than help down South.

I continue to believe Mr. Carter a gentleman who honestly doesn't think things through and is sincerely unaware of his convenient and highly profitable inconsistencies. But I suspect that a time has come when he must stop and think.

And, also, do something about his ego.

The founders of the American government sought to curb the depravities of human nature by limiting the powers of those who governed.

## Texans Will Fight To Preserve Segregation

The Southern Conservative

There's a rainbow of hope in the dark "integration" sky in Texas.

The courageous spirit of Texas manhood which had been somewhat dulled by more than twenty years of imported propaganda, brought into this country by way of Washington, is re-asserting itself and definite steps are being taken to counter the worst blow directed against the South since the Civil War.

Following the Supreme Court's ruling which applied only to certain Negro children in Virginia, South Carolina, Delaware, Kansas and the District of Columbia, the NAACP, composed partly of Negroes but mostly of rich white trash, saw a chance to put a fast one over. They gave the South the rush act, with their attorneys and representatives spilling out into each State and insisting that de-segregation was now the law of the land. They were about to get by with it when the people of Texas, as well as its officials waked up and went into action.

As a result of this awakening, Citizens Councils have sprung up in many sections of the State composed largely of parents whose children would be affected by integration and who have joined these organizations in order to do everything within legal limits to prevent this tragedy from being visited on the schools, now and in the future.

A majority of school boards throughout the State have taken the position that segregation will continue in the 1955 school term, pending further clarification of the subject.

It is true that a district judge in Big Springs, Texas, who is a convert to racial deviation, ruled recently that the law of Texas which allocates money to schools on a segregated basis is illegal but this ruling has served to stiffen the spines of Texans who expect to exhaust every legal source in preserving segregation and prevent, if possible, hot-headed and illegal organizations from taking the matter into their own hands.

The turning of the tide from abject surrender to active resistance is believed to have been inspired largely by the insolent and overbearing attitude of the brown boys in this National Association for the Agitation of Colored People who got drunk on what they thought was power of their race over white people's institutions and who acted accordingly.

The people of Texas, like those of the Deep South, have always been extremely fond of good Negroes and have been their best, and only, friends among the people of the forty-eight States of the American Union.

But in the final analysis and when the chips are down, they just don't go much for arrogant Mulattoes who come barging into the State from out of the East making threats, giving out insulting interviews through the press and issuing orders to school boards, before rolling away in long black Cadillacs.

This big-shot behavior backfired with a bang that reverberated throughout the State and provided a needed shot-in-the-arm to apathetic Texans and served as a warning of what the future might hold unless the citizens went into action and asserted their Constitutional rights. They are doing that now.

While the matter is far from settled, it is now clear that Texas, along with other States in the South, will exhaust every legal resource available in resisting the attempt of a Marxist-conscious Supreme Court to bring about mongrelization of the white race by judicial ruling.



# Conflicting Views On Segregation

Dr. D. M. Nelson, President  
Mississippi College  
Clinton, Mississippi  
Dear Sir:

You have met me only once, last May, at chapel services at Mississippi College. I accompanied my pastor, and one or two others from our church. I was introduced to you in your office prior to the chapel service. It was I who accompanied at the organ.

Today I received a package of materials from the Citizens Council of Mississippi. I was greatly surprised to find that the President of Mississippi College had written an article that was either with or without his permission included in this package.

I now speak only my own convictions, but convictions that I believe are held by a rapidly growing multitude of Southern Baptists. I was born in Arkansas and reared in the south. While a student at college I was associated with many students who I am sure would disagree with your views on the race question. Then later, while I was a student at the Seminary, our professor, taught a course in race relations; I am convinced that he would not agree with your views on the race question.

I am enclosing in this letter some pamphlets published by the Christian Life Commission of our Southern Baptist Convention. I am inclined to believe, and sincerely hope that these come nearer representing the convictions of our denomination than does your pamphlet included in the Citizens Council material.

Without question you are far wiser and more experienced than I, but I cannot help but question the wisdom of a man in your position, a spokesman for Mississippi Baptist, and indirectly for Southern Baptists, casting his lot with the organization that sent me this packet of materials. The tactics of the Citizens Councils and the materials they mail are repulsive and absolutely insulting to my intelligence. I am embarrassed that the President of Mississippi College, where six of the finest youths from our church are now students, and where three additional ones will enroll this fall, has contributed to a "hate" campaign as un-Christian and un-American as I believe this to be.

Dr. Nelson, I do not expect you to agree with me, but I am compelled to speak my convictions.

Sincerely, in His service,  
/S/ Robert  
Minister of Education

In the negro "republic" of Liberia, no white man is allowed to vote, own property or hold office.

August 31, 1955

Mr. Robert  
Minister of Music and Education  
Dear Brother

I have read your letter with interest and conflicting emotions. You can imagine my deep regret that my views on the mixing of the races can not be in accord with yours nor of your schoolmates nor of some of your teachers.

No, Robert, I do not claim to speak for Mississippi Baptists or Southern Baptists. As its long-time president, I do claim the right to speak for Mississippi College, and when the occasion presents itself and the interest of the college demands it, I do respond promptly and as correctly as the light given me and study and long experience direct me.

**Bible Does Not Justify Integration**  
It is my considered judgment, free from personal bias and prejudice, that the mixing and mingling of the equally numbered white and colored races in the public schools of Mississippi poses the most serious situation which this state has ever faced. And what aggravates it and adds to the difficulty of solution, so many of our religious leaders, like you, are trying to justify integration on religious grounds and to make it appear that segregation is Bible condemned and un-Christian. Such a position is untenable and cannot be sustained either by the Word or the works of God, and must, therefore, fall of its own weight.

**Evolution Fad**  
At the turn of the present century, as this writer can remember, the disturbing word was "evolution." The theory grew out of the concept that all organic life originated from a common cell which was spontaneously generated, and through growth and mutation came up from the amoeba to higher forms, ultimately reaching the monkey state and whose end result was man. During that period of agitation and discussion, materialism was in the saddle and God was given a small place in His world, if indeed He existed at all. Then the encouraging thing was that the conservative religious forces revolted at the idea and threw their weight against it. It was argued with telling effect that all of the various forms of life were created after their kind and this order in the natural world is still maintained. With this continuous assault, aided by succeeding scientific discoveries which reveal that matter itself may be only another form of energy, and only the intangible and spiritual are real and abiding, the material evolutionist has been driven from his high seat and the word, evolution, once so popular, is seldom used now.

## UN DELGATE URGES GIFTS FOR THE NAACP

Cleveland, Ohio — Charles H. Mahoney, negro U. S. delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, told the convention of the National (negro) Insurance Association to get ready for a fully race-mixed society. Mahoney ominously stated: "The recent U. S. Supreme Court anti-segregation ruling has implications no one can follow. It doesn't rest with schools or parks or playgrounds." He ended his speech by urging all negro insurance companies to give \$1,000 to the NAACP. Did Ike appoint this negro to the UN—to run around at the American taxpayers' expense soliciting funds for the NAACP?

## MONGRELIZERS' WRATH DESCENDS ON DR. PEALE

In his nationally syndicated column, the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, famous clergyman from New York, gives advice on personal problems. In a recent column he advised a negro not to marry a white person. Dr. Peale didn't know what hit him. He was torn to shreds by the NAACP and allies in bitter personal vituperation. At last reports he had refused to back down to appease the wrath of the race-mixers. It is later than we think when a prominent and highly respected man of God is savagely attacked for opposing miscegenation.

## Integration Communist Inspired

The big word today, Robert, which is Communist inspired, is not evolution, but "integration". As the evolutionist would unify life by reducing it to a common origin, the cell, so the integrationist would break down all racial barriers and merge all classes and nationalities and races into one huge mass of humanity. This is what the Communists have been attempting to do for almost half a century. Integration is the big word in their vocabulary. And whereas the weight of Christian thought and action was directed against the acceptance of the theory of organic evolution, much of it is being used today to accelerate the coming of a classless society and a raceless world. Such a position finds as little support in the Scripture as the theory of evolution. And in nature, the handiwork of God, variety and differences and distinction are found everywhere. No two flowers on the same bush are alike. No two leaves on the same tree are identical. Finger printing is possible because the palm of every hand is different. The sensitive feeling of some people are hurt when the terms inferiority and superiority are used in speaking of different races, but the fact remains that races are different, radically different, and man is not responsible for this difference, but God. And for a people not to recognize and respect these racial characteristics and dissimilarities, but attempt to merge them in the crucible of miscegenation, expecting therefrom an improved race, is the height of blasphemy.

## Nature of Citizens' Council

In your letter you speak disparagingly of the Citizens' Council. You must know that its membership is composed of the descendants of those who suffered much and sacrificed all to build and preserve for us our cherished southern way of life. These members are the first citizens of our communities. They are supporters of all good causes and are interested in transmitting our rich heritage untarnished to coming generation.

We greatly enjoyed the visit of you and your associates to our college and our chapel exercises. Come again and inspire us with your messages and melodies. From our short acquaintance with you we are convinced that you have greater possibilities as a musician than as a philosopher.

Fraternally yours,  
D. M. Nelson, President

# Integration Poll

By H. R. SULLIVAN

A Special Writer Savannah, Ga.  
Here is what I believe to be a final summing up of the South's racial dilemma, together with one rational solution.

This solution is based on one significant proposal of the South Carolina "Committee of 52" in its report to the General Assembly. If this solution is too much trouble, then the sooner we obey the new so-called "law of the land," the better. Let the South eliminate the white race as something not even evil or pernicious, but as something merely too troublesome to be annoyed with. In short, it is not worth preserving.

1. We know that the Fourteenth Amendment was secured by force and fraud and therefore was not a true expression of the will of the people.

2. We know, as Sen. Russell has stated, that the May 17 (1954) edict was based on the writing of left-wing "psychologists." Sen. Eastland has fully documented this charge, and has also proven that Myrdal's "An American Dilemma" (the main basis of the court edict) was virtually a project of the NAACP. The court justices themselves, according to Eastland, have many personal ties with leaders of the NAACP, not to mention the many awards received by them from the NAACP. Yet the NAACP was the main litigant in the case!

3. Now, South Carolina's "Committee of 52" has suggested to the South Carolina General Assembly that it take steps as necessary to interpose the sovereignty of the state between the federal courts and the local school officials in regard to court usurpation of state authority.

4. That is the crux of the matter. The federal "Law" has been turned against the South by a subverted court. Since the South does not choose the course of violence and public demonstrations (though many people have done so over matters of far less importance), it must either yield to force and fraud, or it must "interpose the sovereignty of the state" between the federal courts and its own people.

5. Following that line of reasoning, I submit what would appear to be the only sensible plan. Let the legitimate voice of the Southern people be heard clearly on this problem for the first time ever. Let us use the polls for the very purpose for which they were designed. By the democratic process, let the qualified voters of each affected state decide the fate of their highly significant bi-racial civilization. In short, do the people of the affected state want race-mixing or race-separation?

6. This time we will not have a fraudulent vote purporting to represent the opinion of a disfranchised people under military rule during a period of radical Reconstruction. The Fourteenth Amendment was not a product of either democratic or constitutional processes. This time we will not have an undemocratic edict, or ukase, handed down by nine allies of the NAACP, selected for their well-known left-wing views. No, this time, if the decision of the

legally qualified voters themselves is truly decisive either way, the duly elected leaders of the state government will have a clear mandate from them. If this be a democracy (which we were told in World War II we were fighting for), then the Voice of the People is a higher Court of Appeal than any politically-nominated left-wing court. The people should be the final Court of Appeal.

7. Here, then, would be the implementation of the proposal of that highly respectable "Committee of 52" in the only truly democratic procedure that we know: namely, the legal exercise of the people's voting privileges.

## FROM SOUTH AFRICA

Citizens' Councils  
Winona, Mississippi, U. S. A.  
Dear Sirs:

In South Africa we are fortunate in having a government and the majority of the European population standing four-square behind a segregation policy. Determined efforts, however, have been made and are being made by UNO, UNESCO, World Communism and Wall Street's financial junta to discredit South Africa and smash down our policy.

They have not succeeded so far, but it is alarming to what extent Liberalism and the multi-racial idea have paralysed so many English people in England and in Africa.

I have been following closely political trends in the U. S. A., and have felt very keenly for the true American descendants of the Founding Fathers who would turn in their graves to see the present trends in the U. S. A.

Adlai Stevenson did not make a favorable impression in South Africa except amongst Leftists and Multi-racialists.

I am coming to the conclusion that although it is necessary to inveigh against crime, it is more necessary to expose the criminals. In the same way, it seems that we are inveighing far too much against Communism, Liberalism and Multi-racialism, instead of exposing the names and identities of the individuals and groups whose master plan it is to destroy the European race and make the world safe for World Communism.

Many Whites in Africa will be heartened by the news that you are organizing as you are doing, because our local English newspapers—and the U. S. Information Services—give the impression that integration is becoming an accomplished fact in the U. S. A. The news of your fight will not only give a great measure of moral support here, but will help us to burst through the Press iron curtain.

S. E. D. Brown, Editor  
South African Observer  
Cape Town

(Mr. Brown ordered 2,000 copies each of Dr. Gillespie's A CHRISTIAN VIEW ON SEGREGATION, our pamphlet THE CITIZENS' COUNCIL and Judge Brady's BLACK MONDAY).

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